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## Rep. Thiesfeldt Supports Increases to ADA positions

Fond du Lac County to receive 2 more ADAs through legislation

**Madison** – Today, Rep. Jeremy Thiesfeldt (R – Fond du Lac) will be supporting an Amendment to Senate Bill 54 that would increase Assistant District Attorney (ADA) funding and positions for forty Wisconsin counties. Fond du Lac County would receive the maximum allowed of 2 full positions under the amendment.

Rep. Thiesfeldt stated, "After listening to the pleas of District Attorneys around the state, especially Fond du Lac County's very own, Eric Toney, I have been advocating for increased positions and funding for Fond du Lac and other counties around the state. These counties have been statistically underserved for a number of years."

Eric Toney stated, "I greatly appreciate Rep. Thiesfeldt's hard work in helping secure an amendment to this bill which funds two additional Assistant District Attorneys for Fond du Lac County. This staffing increase would allow the Fond du Lac District Attorney's Office to better support our crime victims as well as support our local law enforcement agencies in protecting our community."

Under the proposed amendment positions would go to counties from which DA offices had previously requested additional positions and were below 79% of staffing according to the most recent Legislative Audit Bureau workload analysis study from 2014.

Rep. Thiesfeldt concluded, "Our judicial system needs to dispense justice quickly. With the addition of these two ADAs Fond du Lac will be able to more effectively prosecute crimes and better protect our community."

The amended bill will need final approval through the Senate in March.

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